

APPEAL NO. 020348  
FILED MARCH 25, 2002

This appeal arises pursuant to the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, TEX. LAB. CODE ANN. § 401.001 *et seq.* (1989 Act). A contested case hearing was held on February 5, 2002. The hearing officer resolved the disputed issues by deciding that the appellant (claimant) did not sustain a compensable injury on \_\_\_\_\_; therefore, the claimant had no resultant disability. The claimant appealed the hearing officer's determinations on sufficiency grounds, and the respondent (carrier) responded, urging affirmance.

DECISION

Affirmed.

The hearing officer did not err in determining that the claimant did not sustain a compensable injury and that he therefore did not have disability as a result of his alleged incident of \_\_\_\_\_. The record includes medical reports indicating that the claimant indeed sustained injury to his left knee; however, the hearing officer does not believe that the mechanism of injury on the incident date, as described by the claimant, could have caused such serious internal derangement of the claimant's left knee as is reported. The parties presented conflicting evidence regarding each issue. The hearing officer is the sole judge of the weight and credibility of the evidence. Section 410.165(a). We conclude that the hearing officer's decision is supported by sufficient evidence and that it is not so against the great weight and preponderance of the evidence as to be clearly wrong and unjust. Cain v. Bain, 709 S.W.2d 175 (Tex. 1986).

The hearing officer's decision and order are affirmed.

The true corporate name of the carrier is **FEDERATED MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

**RUSS LARSEN  
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Terri Kay Oliver  
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

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Thomas A. Knapp  
Appeals Judge

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Michael B. McShane  
Appeals Judge